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The Examiner is requested to consider the reference noted on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 during examination of the above-identified patent application. This reference is submitted for the Examiner's consideration and is submitted pursuant to the Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. A copy of the reference is provided.

The reference cited on the attached PTO-1449, was cited in a Search Report related to Singapore patent application number 200003383-7 issued by the Austrian Patent Office and mailed 21 November 2001. A copy of the Austrian Search Report is enclosed herewith. The Austrian Search Report indicates the relevant passages of the cited United States

patent. Such relevancy information is also included on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. The additional references cited in the Austrian Search Report have been previously provided to the Office in this case and are therefore not provided again.

Since Applicant has not received a first Office action on the merits in connection with this case, Applicant believes, no fees are due with respect to this filing. However, if any fees are deemed necessary, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1415. A duplicate copy of this disclosure statement is enclosed for use as may be appropriate.

If the examiner has any questions concerning the relevance of the cited references in this disclosure, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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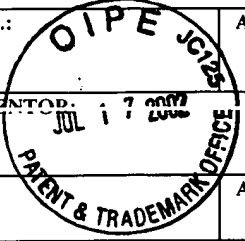
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